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MISSOURI ALUMNI & ASSOCIATES NEWSLETTER

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From the President...

This year's A&A council is working very hard to make FCCLA Alumni & Associates even better. We want to continue to support Missouri FCCLA while using A&A as a way for members to connect to other members. Thank you to these officers who have served Missouri A&A! These officers are available at any time to answer questions about Alumni & Associates.

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2004-2005 Missouri FCCLA Regional Presidents, recipients of \$100 each from Missouri A&A to defray National Leadership Meeting Costs.





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MISSOURI A&A PROVIDES SCHOLARSHIPS FOR FCCLA MEMBERS

Missouri A&A was able to support members financially in several ways this year. We gave \$100 to each regional FCCLA president to help with the cost of attending the National Leadership Meeting in Chicago. A thank you letter from Lisa Wainwright, Region 12 President, echoes the thoughts of all the regional presidents.

"I'd like to take some time to sincerely thank you for your donation towards my national leadership

meeting costs. I learned a great deal in Chicago, including enhancing my communication and leadership skills. I was able to bring back several ideas to my local FCCLA chapter and also to Region 12. Thank you so much! Sincerely, Lisa Wainwright."

A&A also sponsored six scholarships for students attending the A+ and Leadership Unlimited Conferences at Tan-Tar-A. These students are very deserving and we are

privileged to help finance excellent leadership opportunities for them.

Scholarship Winners:

Amanda Bromwich, Troy Buchanan

Jessica Bennett, Moberly

Lauren Castle, Blue Eye,

Casey Sweatman, Gallatin

Trevor Roller, Maysville

Samantha Garrison, Hermitage

JOIN THE MISSOURI A&A E-MAIL LIST

An e-mail discussion list has been started for Missouri A&A members. To join, send a subscribe message to mo_fccla_alumni_associates@yahoogroups.com.

One of the long-time goals of the A&A officers is to have a great Missouri A&A webpage. If anyone has expertise in this area and could donate their talent in this area, please contact Christine Hollingsworth or Ardith Finke. Thank you!



ANNOUNCING A NEW SCHOLARSHIP FOR A&A MEMBERS!

Hey, it's great to support FCCLA members in high school, but what about a scholarship for alumni members already in college? **GREAT IDEA!**

At the January, 2005 officers meeting, a new scholarship for alumni members currently enrolled in college was approved. The criteria are still being fine-tuned but here are the tentative requirements for the scholarship:

*Must be a member of Missouri A&A a minimum of one year. *Sophomore or higher in college. *Enrolled in an accredited college or university. *Current involvement with A&A will be part of the application. *DESE staff not familiar with applicants will be asked to evaluate and select recipient(s).

The first scholarship will be awarded in August of 2006. The officers have designated \$500 for the

scholarship – if more than one applicant is outstanding, then the \$500 will be divided equally between the two. No more than two scholarships will be awarded.

Scholarship forms will be posted on the Missouri A&A website (see why we need one!) or on the Missouri FCCLA website in the fall of 2005.



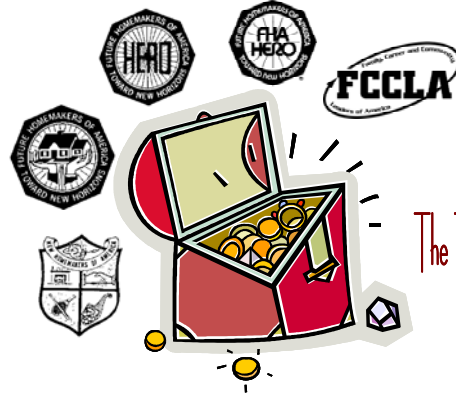
60th ANNIVERSARY STATE OFFICER REUNION – APRIL 3, 2005

All former state officers are invited to attend the 60th Anniversary State Officer Reunion on Sunday, April 3, 2005, in Columbia. 2005 marks the 60th anniversary of the national organization which began in 1945 as Future Homemakers of America and which has now evolved into Family, Career and Community Leaders of America.

Past officers are encouraged to bring scrapbooks, photo albums, or other memorabilia of their time in office. The state FCCLA office will

have some FCCLA history items on display as well.

If you are a former state officer, or know of a former state officer, please have them contact Christine Hollingsworth at the state office. Invitations were mailed to past officers with known addresses but many more are not able to be readily contacted. The cost to attend is only \$5. An RSVP is appreciated.



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT – KIM SHIELDS

Name: Kimberly Shields

Hometown High School:
Lamar High School

College/Degrees:
Southwest Missouri State University, B.S., Communications, minor in sociology (2000).
University of Missouri School of Law, Juris Doctor (2003).

Currently Residing:
Jefferson City

Current Occupation:
Attorney

Involvement in FCCLA:
Region 11 President, 1994-95 and State President, 1995-96

How is your involvement in FCCLA benefiting you now? My involvement in

FCCLA has taught me to most importantly believe in myself and my ideas – and if I work hard, I can achieve my goals. FCCLA has also helped me develop my organizational skills so that I could easily accomplish a project. I also learned how to network not only with my peers but the advisors I spent time with. This allowed me to glean some of their wisdom about life! All of these skills and experiences have benefited me by helping keep my focus on the right path and continually achieve more in my personal and professional life.

I continue to be active in

leadership roles – I'm a leadership junkie! Last year I was part of a group that formed the Women Lawyers' Association of Mid-Missouri. Currently, I am serving as president of our board of directors.

I spend time with my family as much as I can. I am also a new homeowner and loving it!

Words of Wisdom?

Don't hesitate to be proactive. Go out there and work for what you want! Make sure you treat people how you want to be treated.



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Kim Shields



"FCCLA opened the door to my culinary career..."
Brian Dulany

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT – BRIAN DULANY

Name: Brian Dulany

Hometown High School: Moberly High School

College/Degrees: Ozark Technical Community College, AA in Culinary Arts

Currently Residing: Springfield, MO

Current Occupation: Sous Chef at Flame Steakhouse and Winebar, Culinary Arts Instruction at Lake Career and Technical Center in Camdenton (05-06)

Involvement in FCCLA: Chapter Officer, STAR Events participant Regional, State and National

How is your involvement in FCCLA benefiting you

now? The benefits of FCCLA were not apparent until several years after I left high school. FCCLA opened the door to my culinary career and has afforded me the opportunity to go much further in my career than I ever expected. FCCLA also taught me how to set goals and follow through to their completion. Lastly and probably the most important thing I took from FCCLA was to always act with integrity.

I am the son of Ron and Becky Dulany of Moberly. I love to cook (of course) play music, and help with Missouri Alumni & Associates. I try to spend as much time as I can with my whole family back home.

Words of Wisdom? Find your passion in life and follow it as far as your dreams will take you.

STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Save the Day with FCCLA



Missouri FCCLA donates \$300 to the A&A bank account in exchange for our members working the FCCLA store at State Conference. We need helpers to work the store again this year. If you are in or near the Columbia area and are interested in volunteering a few hours of your time, we'd love to have you work with us!

Volunteers are needed for the following shifts –

Sunday, April 3 noon – 2:30 p.m. and 2:30 – 5:00 p.m. Monday, April 4 – 9:00 – 11:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., and 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

We also need one person to volunteer to be in charge of the store – this is the person who will work with the staff on the inventory, count money, and make suggestions for future store products. If

this sounds like something you'd like to do, please volunteer! Ardith Finke is waiting for her e-mail box to be full of volunteers!!!

FCCLA: 60 YEARS STRONG – WHERE YOU BELONG



The 2005 National Leadership Meeting takes place in San Diego, California, July 2-6. One lucky Missouri A&A member will have the opportunity to attend the meeting as the FCCLA State Advisor Assistant. This individual will have their travel, lodging, tours, and registration paid by Missouri FCCLA and

Missouri A&A. This person is responsible for assisting the state advisor with coordination of approximately 180 Missouri delegates, state officers, and STAR Events participants, as well as attending the national A&A function during the meeting. Depending on the individual skills of the person selected, they may

be asked to participate in portions of the National Leadership Meeting as a presenter or volunteer. A copy of the application is enclosed, and also available online at the state FCCLA website.

Application deadline is April 15, 2005.

2004-2005 MISSOURI A&A MEMBERS



Tammy Ainsworth
Joshua Allee
Sarah Anglin
Cynthia Arendt
Keshia Baxter
Casey Bucher
Erin Carl
Charles Carpenter
Linda Collins
Chase Cornett
Dustin Cox
Ashley Deason
Ashley Dodson
Connie Dowis
Brian Dulany
Allison Fazel
Ann Fenner
Donna Fessler

Ardith Finke
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Jean Grogan
Lindsay Grotjan
Lori Hagenhoff
Robert Hansen
Laurannah Haynes
Nancy Headrick
Christine Hollingsworth
Amari Howard
Gretchin Jeoffroy
Stacey Joggerst
Allison Kahre
Tiffany Kanatzar
Izzy Leatherman
Nancy Lenk
Robin Loft

Jamie Lunsford
Pat Luther
Karen Mason
Angela McDaniel
Ross McFerron
Eric McKenzie
Renee Meents
Robyn Mersman
Beverly Plymell
Sharon Schlapia
Kim Shields
Felisha Sims
Barbara Struttman
Katie Ward
Allison Wipperman
Farren Wise

WHAT DID YOU THINK OF THIS NEWSLETTER? Did you like the member spotlights? What information wasn't in this newsletter that you wish was?

Compliments/concerns/suggestions are always welcomed!

Please send your comments to Ardith Finke at

Ardith@centurytel.net so that your suggestions can be worked into the next newsletter. Thank you!